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**DATE:** Sun. Mar. 17, 2002 **TIME:** 8:00a.m. door opens, Meeting at 8:30a.m.

**PLACE:** Coast Terrace Inn, 4440 Gateway Boulevard, Edmonton

Level P1, Cardinal Room (Entrance across from Elevators)

**PROGRAM:** Special Guest Speaker from the University of Calgary,  
Geraldine Chimirri-Russell will talk on  
"How Egyptian was Ancient Egyptian Coinage"

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## JANUARY MEETING AGENDA

Once again members and guests are asked to join us for our Money Show Breakfast Meeting. Doors open at 8:00 a.m. with buffet breakfast being served at 8:30 a.m. Our guest speaker from the University of Calgary, Geraldine Chimirri-Russell will talk on Ancient Egyptian Coinage about 9:00 a.m. RSVP to Terry at 455-0480 or Ray at 433-7288.

## FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

Twenty-Three (23) members and guests attended our February meeting. Dan welcomed all to the meeting. Members were reminded memberships are past due, and several renewed their membership. Books for advance tickets were available to members who were also reminded to purchase tickets for the March 23rd CNA Educational Seminar. New member Cory Ketchum was also welcomed to the meeting. Several Show & Tell were presented as follows: Reinhard gave a short talk on his recent trip to the Fun Show in Orlando Florida. The show was very well run and organized, was 1 week long with 3 days of the bourse open to the public. There were over 600 dealers running about 1Km long in the venue. The show was quite lively by the dealers standards. The economy was quite depressed due to the recent happenings in the US, as hotel rooms which

normally sold for \$139 US, were going for \$39! There were only 3 people on the flight to Orlando, so what does that tell you!

Our next Show & Tell was Maurice Doll from the Provincial Museum. The traveling exhibit entitled the "Money Show", which is currently in Calgary, will be coming to Edmonton from June 29 - Sept. 2. The show will be opened by Alberta's Lt.

## **ENS President Dan Gosling in Hospital after Bypass Surgery**

## **ENS/CNA Seminar Cancelled due to illness**

## **See inside for Show Info**

Governor. There will be 3 cases of world Crowns and gold, 1 case of Elizabeth II coins of Commonwealth. Maurice called on members for coins to display in this category. There will also be a "sand box" for kids stocked with foreign coins. The participants will be able to exchange these coins if they wish for real Canadian Coins. (limit of 50 coins per day) Maurice also called on members to once again donate foreign coins for the "sand box". The main feature for the evening was a video on Grading Mint State US coins from the ANA. This was quite a long film, (88 min.) and members were advised at January's meeting if they wished to see it in it's entirety or split it up between 2 meetings. Therefore the majority voted to see it all at once. The film was very informative with great illustrations. On average the video was well done with backing from the ANA. Although a bit too long general consensus was it was worth the time.

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Door prizes were drawn and won as follows:

RCM Video: Artwork to coins- Howard Gilbey; Maurice Doll - Magnifying glass; 1984 Can. Mint set - John Callaghan; 1995 Can. Mint set - Marshall Wynnchuck; Can. Tire 25 cent note - (unknown); Dan Gosling - US \$1 note; Rob - 1923 25 Cent Shiplaster; Lee Pilkington- 1905 & 1908 US 1cents; Leon Roszko - 1905 & 1920 Can. 5 & 1 cents. Thanks to Jules Rach for donating the last 2 lots.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m. with several members meeting at Boston Pizza following the meeting.

#### **ENS PRESIDENT IN HOSPITAL**

President Dan Gosling is in hospital following quadruple bi-pass surgery on March 7th. Originally scheduled for routine angioplasty (or lube and filter as Dan called it), it was determined a more serious bi-pass surgery was required. (or rebuilding the engine as Dan called it) As of this writing everything had gone well and he is up and walking around. However, he will need many weeks or months of rest and rehabilitation before he can resume his normal life. The ENS had sent flowers to the hospital on the clubs behalf, and many members and friends have gone up to see him. Best wishes have also been received from members of the Canadian Coin News and the CNA. We'll keep you posted on his progress and more info will be available at the upcoming show on the 16th and 17th.

#### **CNA/NESA EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR CANCELLED**

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the ENS has had to cancel the CNA/NESA course scheduled for March 23rd this year. The driving force behind the seminar, Dan Gosling, as noted above, is in hospital recuperating from major surgery. As he was the moderator and presenter of one of the topics, it was decided to postpone it to an as yet undetermined time in the future. Members who have picked up tickets are asked to return them at the March 16 & 17 show for refund. Again we apologize for the cancellation and will advise when it will be re-scheduled.

#### **ANA ACKNOWLEDGES ENS DONATION**

Early this year, the ENS executive agreed to send a donation to the ANA building fund, for agreeing to host our web page on their server. We have received a nice letter of thanks and acknowledgement from the Executive Director, Edward C. Rochette. If you ever in Colorado Springs, ENS members are invited to view the Museum and Library.

#### **MARCH 16 & 17 "MONEY SHOW" FINAL UPDATE**

Final preparations are underway for the March show in Edmonton. The final push for advertizing is in full swing, with ads in this past weekends paper, as well as around the province. The final week will see advertizing on radio and TV, as well as at the hotel Electronic Reader board, and hopefully the Journal 10 best on Friday before the show. Advance tickets are going well with requests for more for this last week. Last minute changes include the Canadian Coin News manning a table as well as having to fit Charles Moore in at a table with Hugh Powell. We're always glad to have Chuck attend our show. Thanks are also extended to the CCN for providing hand-outs to the public, providing a large ad in the Canadian Coin News paper in the March 8 - 18 issue.

#### **\$100 Gold Coin Launch in Leduc—Feb. 27, 2002**

Club member Ron Darbyshire spent an exhaustive day with RCM mint President Danielle Wetherup and other Mint officials, dignitaries and guests, to launch the issue of the \$100 gold coin for 2002. Followed by TV crews and up to 8 Radio Stations, Ron was asked to do interviews for them all to discuss the launch and talk about coin collecting in general. The following are excerpts from the Mints own press release on the event:

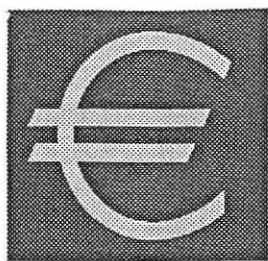
"The new 2002 14-karat gold coin from the Royal Canadian Mint commemorating the famous Leduc oil strike was officially introduced today in Devon, Alberta. The President of the Mint, Danielle Wetherup, was joined by officials from Imperial Oil Canada and the remaining original crew members of Leduc Number One. "This coin commemorates the enormous impact of the Leduc oilfield as a watershed moment in Canadian history. As a result of this discovery in Alberta, Canada became a major oil producer on the world market," said Danielle Wetherup.

The original crew members present when Leduc Number One struck oil on February 13, 1947 were recognized by the President of the Mint with a special commemorative plaque. The event took place at the Canadian Petroleum Interpretive Centre (CPIC), which now stands at the exact location of the oilfield that marked the beginning of Alberta's oil boom.

The coin design features the Leduc Number One derrick, a sight soon to become common in the petroleum-rich Alberta landscape. The focal point of the coin depicts a sea of "black gold" seeping from a spray from the underground bounty. The black gold, created through a state of the art process of selectively oxidizing the coin gold alloy, is a process unique to the Mint. The coin is available through the Mint website at [www.mint.ca](http://www.mint.ca) or by calling toll-free at 1-800-267-1871. "

#### **COMING EVENTS**

March 16, & 17	Edmonton Numismatic Society, Coin & Stamp Show, Coast Terrace Inn
March 23	CNA/NESA Educational Seminar "CANCELLED"
March 22 - 24	Royal Philatelic Soc. of Can. National Exhibition, West Edm. Mall
April 6 & 7	Vancouver Numismatic Society, Oakridge Centre Auditorium, Vancouver
April 13 - 14	ONA Annual Convention, London, Ont., Hosted by Ingersoll Coin Club
April 20 & 21	Regina Coin & Stamp Show, Best Western 7 Oaks, 777 Albert Street, Regina
July 12 - 14	CNA Vancouver, B.C.



# THE €URO

## The Euro Coin Sets - An Update for Collectors

Based on numerous European sources of information it now appears there will be three categories of Euro sets beginning early next year.

The Euro will replace national currencies of 12 members of the European Union as legal tender as of January 1, 2002. The 12 countries are: Austria, Belgium, Germany, Finland, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Spain, Portugal.

Then will be 8 denominations of Euro coins in circulation: the 2 Euro, 1 Euro, 50 cent, 20 cent, 10 cent, 5 cent, 2 cent and 1 cent.

Each of the Euro circulating coins will have a common European obverse: basically a map of Europe, a representation of the European stars and the denomination. On the other side of the coin or the reverse will be a national design by the country which struck the coin. For example the Spanish and Belgian 1 Euros will have their respective Kings. The Irish one Euro will depict the Irish harp. Germany's will display the German Eagle and Austria will honor Mozart. Regardless of where the coin was struck these coins will circulate freely at their respective full face values throughout the Euro member states.

From all the discussions that have taken place so far, here are the three main categories of Euro coin sets that we believe will be appearing, starting in January, 2002.

### 1. The Mint Masters' Sets (2 types)

- a) A pan-European set of twelve 1 Euro coins in mint fresh circulating quality. It includes one Euro coin struck by each of the 12 countries converting to the Euro January 1, 2002. The Mint Masters of the respective countries have agreed to putting this set together and are insuring that their country's respective coin is included in the set.
- b) A set of all 8 denominations from each of the 12 countries participating in the Euro. This set will contain a total of 96 coins in mint fresh circulating quality.

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### The Common Obverses



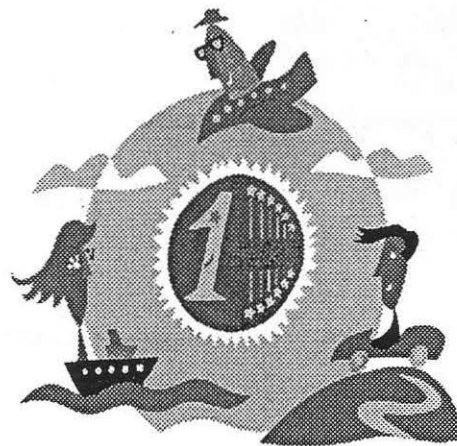




## 2. Individual Country sets (3 types)

In this category there will be 3 variations:

- a) Starter Packs of circulating quality coins distributed to citizens and merchants in some of these countries (e.g. Austria) to provide them with loose change when the Euros are introduced.
- b) A set of each of the 8 denominations struck by a country that will be issued annually starting with 2002. In the same way as they are done now these sets may be produced in either brilliant uncirculated or proof finishes. Some of the 12 member states, will issue sets in each of these finishes.
- c) Of the 12 participating countries there are at least 2 that in addition will be issuing sets of coins that "bridge" the changeover period of three years. They have struck the 8 denominations of Euro coins (which are currently in secure storage) with the years 1999, 2000, and 2001. These sets will be issued at the beginning of 2002 when the Euro becomes legal tender. Two countries that have done this are France and Netherlands.



## 3. Private Sets

The third type of Euro coin set is being put together by private entrepreneurs. Some of these private issue sets may look nice but may also include non-coin items such as medals, tokens, CD's, magnifying glasses, etc. This will tend to push the cost up and for some collectors may make them less attractive.

The proceeding has been prepared as a service to our customers in response to their requests. It is based on information we have been able to gather from several sources throughout Europe. None of this information should be viewed as "categorical". We cannot over emphasize that much of is still sketchy and still very much subject to change. Every day we are made aware of yet another variation of these sets, and we believe that more variations may be created. We plan to handle the official mint products which we believe are the ones most sought after by collectors.

In the meantime, we'll do our very best to keep you informed.

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# World Goodies

by Ken Potter



## Olter Sends Canada Varieties

**S**teve Olter of Sterling Heights, Michigan provided excellent examples of design variations found on the obverse of the 1948 and 1949 Canadian one cent piece. Amongst other variations, the most prominent difference between the two varieties is in the lettering to rim denticle orientation. This is easily noted by the tops of many letters pointing to different positions off to the side or directly at a denticle, differently on each variety. Since both varieties were introduced in 1948 to replace the ET IND:IMP: obverse, (which was discontinued after India was granted its independence from British rule in August of 1947), it is

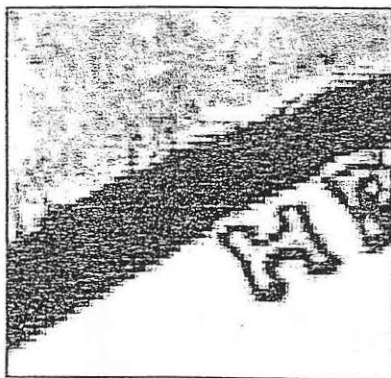
impossible to ascertain which one was used first. Thus we have arbitrarily assigned them as Variety-1 and Variety-2 knowing that the sequence of their release may have been quite the opposite of what our numbers may seem to imply.

The most distinctive features of the Variety-1 obverse are flared-out serifs on the H of the of the designer's initials HP, short rim denticles, and the first A of GRATIA pointing off to the side of a denticle. According to Olter, the Variety-1 represents about half the mintage on the 1948 but only about 2% of the 1949 emission.

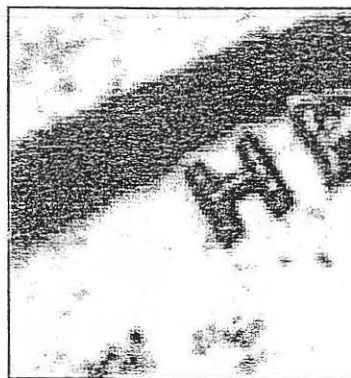
The Variety-2 differs from the Variety-1 in that it contains a straight-

shafted sanserif H, more delicate and slightly longer rim denticles, and extensive variation in the lettering to denticle orientation throughout the entire legend. We use the first A of GRATIA pointing almost directly at a denticle as our reference point to conform with that of the Canadian based International Coin Certification Service which has certified some pieces in this manner.

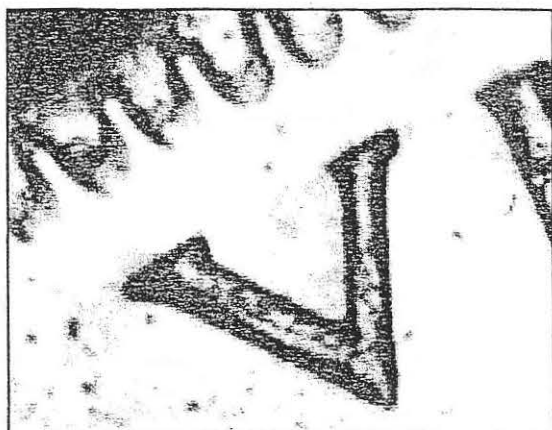
The varieties are now listed in the Variety Coin Register for these dates and denomination as VCR#1/ODV#1 and VCR#2/ODV#2 respectively.



Variety 1 of the 1948 and 1949 Canadian one cent piece displays flared-out serifs.



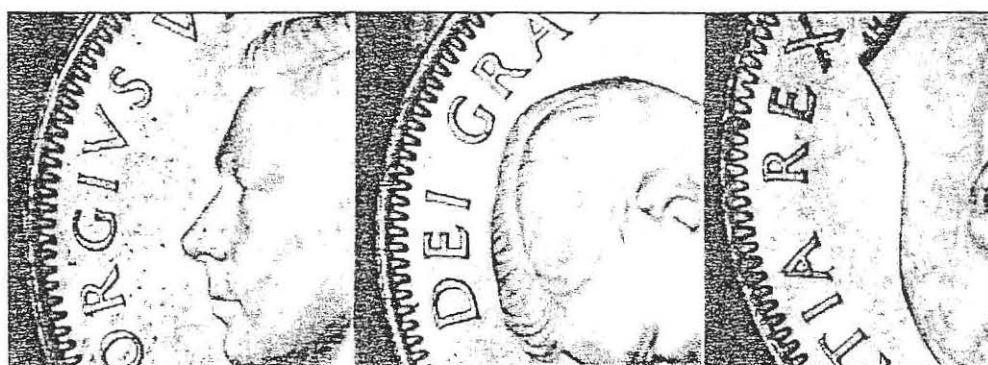
Variety 2 of the 1948 and 1949 Canadian one cent piece displays straight-shafted sanserif H.



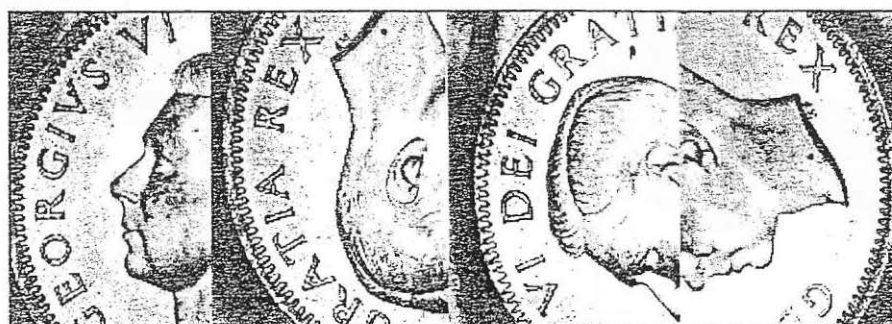
Variety 1 of the 1948 and 1949 Canadian one cent piece displays I of VI pointing almost directly at a denticle.



Variety 2 of the 1948 and 1949 Canadian one cent piece displays I of VI pointing nearly at center of space between denticles.



Lettering as seen on Variety 1 of the 1948 and 1949 Canadian one cent.



Lettering as seen on Variety 2 of the 1948 and 1949 Canadian one cent.

## AN UNUSUAL JETON

by Stanley Clute

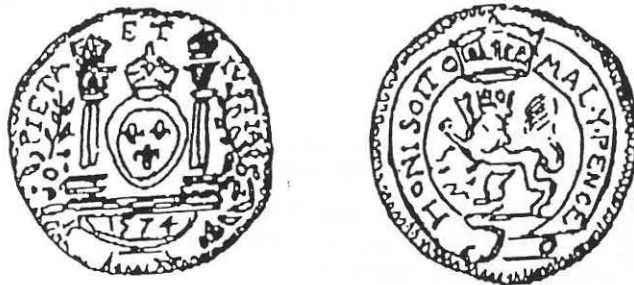
A jeton to celebrate the proposed marriage of Elizabeth I of England? Very possibly. That is what at least one expert thought about it. The piece is not listed in Feuardent, the long-out-of-print but still standard catalogue of French jetons.

I came across the jeton in a dealer's junk box some twenty years ago. In overall appearance it had, at first, little to recommend it. It was somewhat worn, with irregular edges, and - being made of pewter or some similar material - was a rather ugly shade of grey. Upon closer examination, however, it could be seen quite clearly to have on one side an attempt at representing the arms of King Charles IX of France and, on the other side, the badge of England's virgin queen.

The French side shows a crowned shield of three fleurs-de-lis between two pillars, with the legend PIETA ET IVSTIA, the date 1574 appearing in the exergue. It should be noted that the legend is a corrupted or abbreviated form of Charles IX's proper motto, PIETATE ET IVSTITIA. On the English side is a lion rampant left within a garter which carries the motto HONI SOIT Q MAL Y PENCE (i.e., "Evil be o him who evil thinks"), at the top, a crown is superimposed over the garter.

It was suggested by the late R.C. Willey that the jeton may be related to attempts to marry the French king's younger brother François, Duc d'Alençon to Elizabeth of England - attempts which were not to be successful. The date of this jeton coincides with this proposed marriage alliance of two nations. La Rochelle, the Huguenot stronghold, was besieged in 1573. Catherine de Medici, the Queen Mother, sent a delegation to the court of Elizabeth to advise her that the Duc d'Alençon would soon be coming to woo her. The Queen, whose political sympathies were with the French Huguenots, replied that the French would have to raise the siege of La Rochelle before there could be any official alliance between England and France.

It should also be noted that 1574 was the year in which Charles IX died. He was succeeded by his eldest brother, who reigned as Henri III. He was the last of the Valois dynasty to reign. When he died in 1589 at the hands of an assassin (his brother the Duc d'Alençon having predeceased him), the throne passed to a cousin, Henri, King of Navarre who, as Henri IV, founded a new French royal line - the Bourbons.



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# EDMONTON'S MONEY SHOWS



**Mar. 16-17 & Nov. 9-10, 2002**

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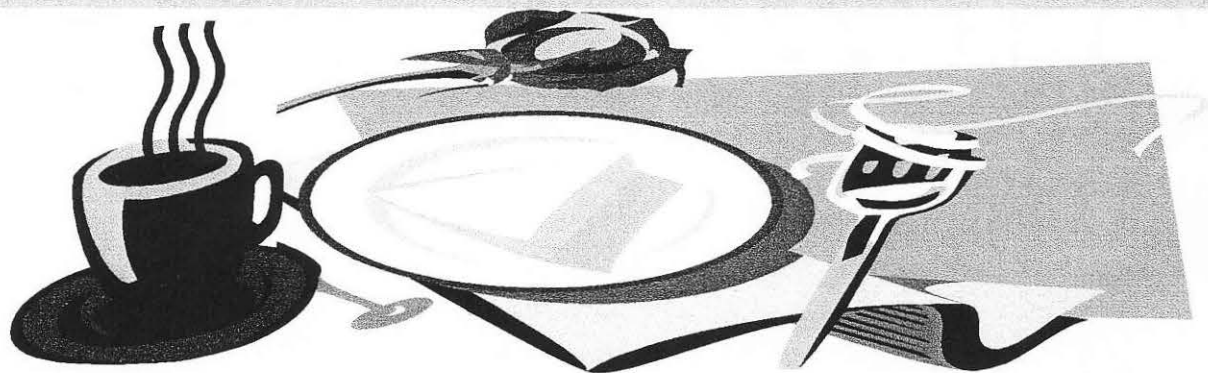
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**GUEST SPEAKER - Geraldine Chimirri-Russell, from the  
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